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Examiner: Dinh D. Chiem  
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MANUFACTURING OPTICAL PREFORMS, AS WELL AS  
THE OPTICAL FIBRES OBTAINED THEREWITH

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.